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To: Microsoft ATR
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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

I STRONGLY object to the Proposed Final Judgment in the Microsoft Antitrust case.

Mr. Gates and his attorneys must be deliriously happy with the current PFJ.

I urge you to SERIOUSLY CONSIDER revising the PFJ to provide additional protection to American and worldwide users and businesses in this case.

Users, both corporate and individual, of Microsoft products must have their freedom of choice protected. They must realistically be able to choose between products from Microsoft and other vendors and be reasonably certain that products they choose will run without artificial

impediments placed in their path by Microsoft. Competing vendors, as well, must be protected against such artificial impediments to their software running under various incarnations of Windows operating systems

or Windows environments on other operating systems. Each product should be able to stand on it's own without having Microsoft's artificial barriers in it's way. The manufacturer of any operating system should be

required to publish the specifications to all of it's interfaces so that

other software can be written to adhere to those specifications and successfully operate under control of that operating system.

Please consider that the American Legal System is our only defense against

Microsoft's goal of total control of the computer marketplace by whatever means.

Do NOT abandon your duty to the American public and to the rest of the world

as well, since Microsoft is an American company.

Sincerely,

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